

Local Human Rights Committee Meeting Minutes

23 May 2007

Location: Poplar Springs Hospital, Petersburg, Virginia

Present:

Carrie Flowers, Regional Advocate, Office of Human Rights
Morris Jones, LHRC Chairman
Dr. Leann Binger, LHRC Member
Sharlene Brown, LHRC Member
Taineka Taylor, Savannah's House, LHRC Affiliate Member
Lakia Gholson, Fam Mat Services, LLC, LHRC Candidate
Victoria Gbadedo, Amazings Grace, LLC, LHRC Affiliate
Lola Shodeinde, Amazings Grace, LLC, LHRC Affiliate
Linda Wallace, River City Residences, LHRC Affiliate
Ronald Wallace, River City Residences, LHRC Affiliate
Tanisha Green, The Jireh House, LLC, LHRC Affiliate
Catherine Harrison, The Jireh House, LLC, LHRC Affiliate
LaShanda Powell, Triumph Residential Services, Inc., LHRC Affiliate
Daniel Herr, Gateway Homes, LHRC Affiliate
Rudi Jackson, ECCS, LHRC Affiliate
Jerry von Poks, Poplar Springs Hospital, LHRC Affiliate/Staff Support
Kimberly Lindblad, Specialized Youth Services, LHRC Affiliate

Absent:

John Vartanian, LHRC Member
Isabel Vartanian, LHRC Member
Betty Velez, LHRC Member

I. Call to Order

- a) LHRC Chairman, Mr. Morris Jones called the meeting to order at 1809 hrs.

II. Approval of Minutes

- a) The minutes were reviewed and a motion was made to approve the minutes for the February 14 2007 LHRC meeting. The motion was carried unanimously.

III. Public Comment

- a) There were no public comments.

IV. New Business

- a) Lakia Gholson, representative of Fam Mat Services, LLC. distributed brochures to LHRC members and discussed specifics regarding services offered by Fam Mat Services, LLC.

V. Old Business

- a) There was no old business to be discussed.

VI. Affiliate Reports

- a) Gateway Homes
 - New staff changes were announced
 - Affiliate reports were made
- b) Savannah's House
 - New staff changes were announced
 - Affiliate reports were made
- c) Poplar Springs Hospital
 - Affiliate reports were made
- d) The Jerah House, LLC
 - Affiliate reports were made
- e) Amazings Grace, LLC
 - Announced an Open House was to be held on June 6, 2007 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
 - Affiliate reports were made
- f) River City Residences
 - Affiliate reports were made
- g) Triumph Residential Services, LLC
 - Affiliate reports were made
- h) Specialized Youth Services
 - Affiliate reports were made

VII. Advocate Reports

VIII. Other Business

- a) A Motion was made to post-pone the election of new LHRC Chairman and Co-Chairman positions until additional LHRC members could be present. The Motion was carried unanimously.
- b) A Motion was made to accept Fam Mat Services affiliation to the LHRC. The Motion was carried unanimously.

IX. Closed Session

- a) A Motion was made and passed that the LHRC go into Executive Session at 1845 hrs pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711 for the protection of the privacy on individuals and their records and personal matters not related to public business.
- b) Upon reconvening into open session, the Local Human Rights Committee certified that only business matters lawfully exempted from statutory open meeting requirements and only public business matters identified in the motion to convene the closed session were discussed in closed session.
- c) Roll Call: Morris Jones, so certified; Sharlene Brown, so certified; Dr. LeAnn Binger, so certified.

X. Adjournment

- a) The LHRC meeting was adjourned at 1930 hrs. The next regularly scheduled LHRC meetings will be held: 8 August 2007 at 1800 hrs in the Poplar Springs Hospital private dining room.